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May 23, 2011

Mr. Anthony E. Keck, Director
South Carolina Department of Health and Human Services
P.O. Box 8206
Columbia, SC 29202-8206

Re: South Carolina State Plan Amendment 11-004

Dear MR. Keck:

We have reviewed the proposed South Carolina State plan amendment (SPA) 11-004, which was submitted to the Atlanta Regional Office on March 31, 2011. The effective date of this SPA is January 9, 2011.

This SPA outlines the agreed-upon Tribal Consultation process between the South Carolina Department of Health and Human Services and the Catawba Indian Nation. Specifically, the State and the Tribe will consult during monthly Tribal Advisory Group meetings held on a monthly basis, and Medical Care Advisory Committee meetings held on a quarterly basis. This Tribal Consultation SPA process complies with Section 5006 of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA). ARRA provides protections for Indians in Medicaid and the Children's Health Insurance Program.

South Carolina State plan amendment 11-004 was approved on May 23, 2011. The signed CMS-179 and the approved plan pages are enclosed.

If you have any additional questions or need further assistance, please contact Crystal Francis at (404) 562-7464 or Crystal.Francis@cms.hhs.gov.

Sincerely,

/s/

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Enclosures